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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Lorna W. Role, et al.

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For : A-FORM OF CYTOPLASMIC DOMAIN OF NARIA (CR-
NEUREGULIN) AND USES THEREOF

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants request that the following amendment be made in the
above-identified application:

In the Specification:

On page 1, please delete the paragraph after the title and before
line 10.

Applicants maintain that the amendment to the specification does
not raise an issue of new matter. Accordingly, applicants
respectfully request that the Examiner enter the amendment to the
specification.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing
prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned
attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided
below.

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